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SUBJECT: UNESCO MASS MEDIA PRINCIPLES MEETING: WEO NINE, AUSTRALIA, AND CANADA TO WITHDRAW; PROPOSEL FOR US POSITION

- 1. WEO NINE HAVE TAKEN FINAL DECISION TO SEMND JOINT LETTER ANNOUNCING THEIR WITHDRAWAL FROM MEETING WITH REQUEST THAT SAME BE READ TO MEETING BY CHAIRMAN (CZECH) AND INCORPORATED IN TOTO IN MEETING REPORT.
- 2. LETTER WILL ALSO BE INCORPORATED IN JOINT NINE PRESS COMMUNIQUE AND PRESS STATEMENT WHICH CITES SHATTERING OF CONSENSUS AS RESULT OF VOTE ON YUGOSLAV AMENDMENT AND REFERS IN LOWER KEY TO "SUBSTANCE" OF AMENDMENT AS "UNACCEPTABLE" FOR ALL OF NINE.
- 3. CANADIANS AND AUSTRALIANS SEPARATELY TO PRESENT LETTCRS ANNOUNCING WITHDRAWAL WHICH (A) WILL REFER OCNLY TO SHATTERING OF CONSENSUS, BUT NOT REPEAT NOT "ZIONISM-RACISM" ISASUE, AS BASIS FCR LEAVING "DEBATE" CONFIDENTIAL

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AND (B) KEEPING OPEN POSSIBILITY OF RETURNING TO

FINAL SESSION MEETING (DEC. 22) TO VOTE ON WHATEVER DRAFT DECLARATION MAY BE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL.

- 4. SWEDES REPORTEDLY ANNOUNCED THIS MORNING AT MEETING THEY WOULD NOT PARTICIPATE FURTHER IN DISCUSSIONS AND WITHDREW AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION, BUT APPARENTLY WILL REMAIN PHYSICALLY PRESENT AS OBSERVERS.
- 5. US POSITION WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN PUBLICLY BY NO LATER THAN $3:00\ P.M.$ (PARIS TIME) THIS AFTERNOON.
- 6. WE PROPOSE TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING COURSE OF ACTION UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE: (A) WE SHOULD ACT AT THE SAME TIME AND FOLLOW ESSENTIALLY THE SAME PROCEDURES ADOPTED BY THE GROUP OF NINE. (B) WE WILL BASE OUR STATEMENT ON GROUNDS THAT AGREED CONSENSUS PROCEDURES WERE DESTROYED, THAT THERE IS NOW NO CHANCE FOR ANY AGREEMENT, THAT A PROCEDURE RESULTING IN ASSERTIONS THAT STATE CONTROL OF MASS MEDIA IS THE PREFERRED VIEW OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IS COMPLETELY UNACCEPT-ABLE, AS WELL AS THE PREJUDICIAL EFFECT OF YUGOSLAVIAN AMENDMENT, (C) WE WILL ALSO RESERVE THE RIGHT TO MAKE A FINAL STATEMENT AT THE END OF THE MEETING. WE WILL RESERVE THE RIGHT BUT NOT COMMIT OURSELVES TO DO SO. THIS STEP SHOULD EFFECTIVELY AVOID ANY UNDESIRABLE WITHDRAWAL PRECEDENT. RUSH

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